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SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, first of all, I commend Senator Bromm for the hard work he's done on this LB 210, and the amendments that have replaced the bill now. And he has pretty much explained to you what the original bill as amended would do. And I, again, would say that a lot of work by a lot of people have gone in to get this to the place where it is. And I would hope that the members of this body would understand what is actually happening. I did want to add that I think maybe...I don't know if Senator Bromm said this or not, but an exempt employer may elect to be covered by the act by obtaining compensation insurance policies. Having the policy is conclusive proof of the employer's selection. And that he may later return to exempt status, as long as he provides notice. I don't know if you indicated that or not, but that is a part of the amendment. The amendment...AM0926 is an amendment that says, 40 percent or more of the employer's annual gross revenue is derived from the cultivation of land owned or leased by someone other than the employer or a person related to the employer within the third degree by blood or marriage, as defined in Section 8, subsection (b), for the production of agriculture products, fruit, or other horticulture products; or 40 percent or more of the employer's annual gross revenue is derived from the keeping or feeding of animals not owned by the employer or a person related to the employer within the third degree by blood or marriage, as defined in the same section, for the production of livestock and livestock products. And that is the definition of the proposed amendment, AM0926.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. You've opened on the committee amendments. There is...are amendments to the committee amendments. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President. Senator Baker would move to amend the committee amendments with AM1083. (Legislative Journal page 1128.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, to open on your amendment to the committee amendments to LB 210.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. This amendment tries to clarify who actually is going to be subject